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SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Has the Hon. the Minister for Health taken any lessons on family planning since he happens to be the Minister responsible for family planning? " (Laughter.)

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" If the hon. Gentleman is very much interested, he can have lessons at the Women and Children Hospital in the City." (Laughter.)

Kottapadi-Kundukadavu road

* 689 *Q.*—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to metal the Kottapadi-Kundukadavu road in Ponnani taluk?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" The formation and the gravelling of the road have been included in the list of works sent to the Government of India for approval under the special grants-in-aid scheme."

SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN :—" The construction of the Kottapadi-Kundukadavu road was started as a measure of famine relief in the year 1952 and now the work is left as it was. The Minister says that the list has been included in the list of works to be taken up under the Second Five-Year Plan. May I know whether the work will be expedited? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" As a measure of relief of distress among labourers, this scheme was sanctioned. Due to the improved season that followed, the work has been stopped. Now the scheme has been recommended to the Government of India for execution with some grant-in-aid."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" Since this scheme was sanctioned by the Government in 1928, will the Government accept the recommendation of the Collector of Malabar that the road be taken under the Highways Department, even though they have asked for a special grant from the State Government to the Centre? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" I have no such information from the Collector."

Export of groundnut oil

* 690 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the quota of groundnut oil permitted to be exported abroad from this State; and

(*b*) the quota earmarked for use in this State?